

REMARKS

The Examiner has restricted the above-identified application into two different inventions and required election of one of them. These two inventions have been identified as follows:

- I. Group I, purportedly covered by Claims 1-31, drawn to an article, classified in class 429, subclass 129; and
- II. Group II, purportedly covered by Claims 32-47, drawn to a process, classified in class 156, subclass 60.

Solely for purposes of efficiency, and without acknowledging whether such a restriction is proper, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, covered by Claims 1-31, drawn to an article.

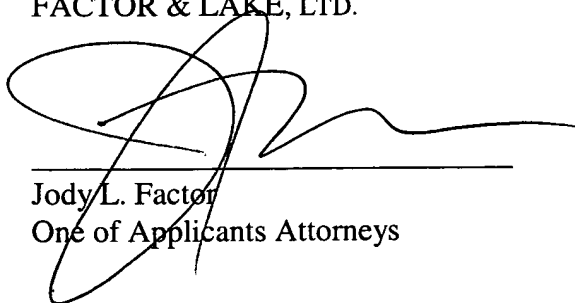
Applicant reserves its right to reintroduce the non-elected claims at the appropriate time.

Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 226-1818 is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,

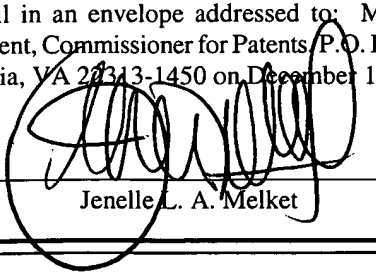
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